



## State of Tennessee

### SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 449

By Senator Herron

and

Representative Holt

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize James Monroe Owen, 2011 Salutatorian of Gleason High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, James Monroe Owen is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2011 graduating class at Gleason High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, James Owen has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Mr. Owen has earned an exemplary 3.85 grade point average while participating in a number of extracurricular activities, including the football team and a number of church activities and extracurricular clubs; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his talents in the classroom, James is a skilled football player, and for his abilities on the gridiron, he was named to the All District football team; and

WHEREAS, James Owen's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success as a student at Tennessee Tech University, where he plans to pursue an education in chemical engineering; and

WHEREAS, James's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Doris and Eric Owen; his school; and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Owen's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2011 Gleason High School Salutatorian, James Monroe Owen, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: May 20, 2011

  
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RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
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BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 2nd day of June 2011

  
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BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR